



## "SCAT" TO A LION.

The Big Beast Is Only an Overgrown Cat After All.

Run Away Like a Scared Cat—Curious Adventure of an English Army Officer—A Most Embarrassing Situation.

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We were on the deck of the P. & O. steamer *Calcedonia*, nosing our way among the coral reefs of the Red sea. At dinner our jolly captain, "Boss Bill," as he was affectionately called by the old timers, had announced that it would be too hot to sleep below and had advised us to keep to the deck. Accordingly, a huge sail was stretched lengthwise of the promenade deck, and presently the old travelers emerged, one by one, from the companionway, dressed in the lightest of pajamas, and settled themselves in the long Manila couches which are used for deckchairs in the tropics. The conversation presently turned to the subject of shooting big game. This is always the way. Start an Anglo-Indian of the military persuasion in a discussion of the Ten Commandments, and he will drift on to "big game" as inevitably as water flows down hill. I was falling into a doze, lulled by the rich, mellow monotone of the English voices about me, when I was awakened by a remark of the general's:

"Oh, a lion is nothing but a big, wild pussy-cat, after all. He will fight if he is hungry or attacked, but he is by no means a natural fighter like the tiger or a grizzly."

"Oh, come now, general," objected a voice.

"It is so," insisted the first speaker. "I'll never forget my first lion; but I've never been really afraid of one since."

"How was that?" "Tell us the story." "Let's have it," came in a chorus from the group. The general took a long pull on his cheroot and began:

"It was when I was a junior lieutenant. We had been having some pretty

pauses to look back, and I could hear him crashing through the underbrush for a quarter of a mile, quite as frightened as I had been. I sat down and laughed, then swam over, put on my clothes, and returned to camp. The next day one of our party shot a lion, which the guides claimed was the same which I had seen. He was only an ordinary sized lion; but then I had my clothes on, and he was dead."

The story was received without a murmur of doubt, and in the discussion which followed I fell asleep. If it is true, it certainly reduces the terrors of lion-hunting to a minimum.

## THE BEDOUIN AT HOME.

The Arabs of the Desert and Their Royal Hospitality.

Under the Mohammedan code three days' hospitality is a right way farers may demand, though in the case of accepted friends the royal bounty of the host keeps favor after favor through the guest without stint or limitation.

Probably the first distinct impression I received from the Bedouin was the close resemblance of their life to that of Old Testament times. Their loose, flowing robes added to their naturally strong, majestic faces, slightly Jewish in type, together with their gracious old world courtesies, irresistibly suggested the patriarchs of old. Their lives, thoughts, sayings and occupations remain unchanged through all these centuries, and the incidents and conversations of my daily intercourse with them were always Abrahamic in character.

Though nomads, the Arabs are rovers from necessity rather than from choice, and where fodder and water are found in sufficient abundance they form permanent camps, surrounding their tents with a compound of durra stalks, and frequently building stone or mud lodges for their guests.

When on the march they are content with very small tents, easily packed and carried, but in their permanent camps their homes are of regal proportions. The one I occupied covered

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Palmer Cox's "Brownies" will be at the Grand Saturday night for the first time in Decatur. "The Brownies" will be presented here exactly as it ran for 150 nights in New York and four weeks at the Columbia in Chicago, with the same organization of 100 people and all the scenery, ballets, specialties and electrical and mechanical effects witnessed in the metropolis. The electrical cavern of mystery, the palace court-yard of Queen Titania with the bridal procession in the rain of roses, the arrival of the giants with the strange wedding gifts, the abduction of the bride by the cruel enchanter Dragonel, the open sea with the Brownies adrift on a raft, the thrilling storm that causes their wreck, the Borans, who are the greatest acrobats in the world, Nowhouse & Waffle, the phenomenal duo of European musical eccentricities and other high class specialties are introduced, and grand transformation scene in which the marvelous flying bulletin occurs, all combine to make "The Brownies" the greatest spectacle that has ever been presented in America.

## List of Patents.

Granted to Illinois inventors this week. Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., solicitors of American and foreign patents, opposite United States patent office, Washington, D. C.:

G. L. Brent, Doddsville, stanchion; N. Burr, Batavia, windmill attachment; H. G. W. Creteau, Malone, egg tester; J. W. Crigler, Bloomington, banger for shade rollers; F. Meyer, Peoria, furnace or stove door; J. Nelson, Rockford, straight knitting machine; E. W. Pratt, Ipava, hinge for cooking utensils, etc.; J. Selby, Peoria, corn planter; E. Sharp, Congerville, pencil holder; J. D. Wilecox, Gilman, pump.



The saddest word that can be graven on marble or granite shaft—and Heaven knows there are too many sad ones—is "Mother!" Year after year women go their reckless way neglecting the health and strength of their womanly selves, as if their only object in life was a grave-stone inscribed "Mother." The woman who fails to care for the health of the delicate and important organs that bear the burdens of life-giving, should know that motherhood only holds out to her the menace of certain suffering and probable death.

Women of wisdom know that by resorting to the right remedy they can build up the strength and health of the womanly organism, avoid the discomfits of the timorous period, insure an easy and almost painless time at the critical occasion, and be sure of a healthy and robust baby. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription insures all this. It never fails. Druggists sell it. In writing Dr. R. V. Pierce for advice, a woman is writing to one of the most eminent and skillful specialists in the world, and the head of the great Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y., with its staff of nearly a score of skilled physicians.

"I saw in my paper that Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription was good for a woman with child," writes Mrs. Charles Sanford, of Fair Mount, Onondaga Co., N. Y. "I took a bottle and a half of it, and instead of suffering forty-eight hours in confinement as I had previously done, was only in labor two hours. Baby weighed nine pounds and a quarter, and is growing right along. All my friends say that I look better this time than ever before."

The Philadelphia Academy of Fine Arts has just awarded the Walter Lippincott prize of \$300 to Albert Harte for his picture of "Le Soir."



"SCAT!"

still work in India, and when things settled down a party of us applied for leave of absence to go over to Africa lion shooting. We got it, and came down here to Aden, then crossed over to the African coast in an Arab dhow, made up our party of guides, beaters, carriers, and so on, and started for a point in the foot hills where our guides assured us the lions were thicker than dogs in Constantinople. We had been out three or four days when we pitched camp near a small river which the guides said was in the center of the lion district. We were all youngsters and none of us had ever seen a lion outside the zoo, so each one was naturally anxious to get the first glimpse of the so-called "Monarch of the Forest." During the afternoon I had been exploring the banks of the stream, and had discovered a rocky pool of considerable size about half a mile above the camp. Along the edge of the evenning I announced my intention of walking up there for a bath. The guides tried to dissuade me and told thrilling tales of being attacked by lions and the like, but the beggars hate the very idea of a bath; so I paid no attention to them, and with my rifle over my shoulder trudged off to the pool. I disrobed on the bank and plunged into the stream. The water was glorious, and I enjoyed floundering about in it to the full.

"There was a clump of big boulders just in the center of the pool, and I swam over to them and sat down on a small rock to rest. I had remained perfectly quiet for about five minutes, when the advance guard of a swarm of black flies discovered me, and I looked longingly over at my clothes. Then I nearly tumbled off the rock—for there, curiously nosing about my garments, was a lion which, to my excited fancy, made Sir Edwin Landseer's bronze ones in Trafalgar square seem mere babies.

"I sat very still and held my breath. The beast poked about my garments for a bit and then, horror of horrors! he placidly lay down beside them and prepared to go to sleep. In the meantime the black flies began to arrive and settle on my naked back. I stood it as long as I could, but finally made up my mind that I would as soon be eaten by lion as by flies; so I suddenly sprang to my feet, waved my arms wildly, and at the top of my voice yelled: 'Scat! Scat!' The lion jumped at the same time that I did, gave just one glance at me, and then, with tail erect and manes bristling, dashed off into the forest. He never



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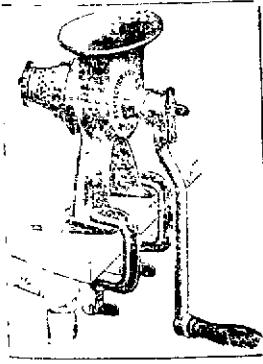
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## LOCAL NEWS.

The Grand Opera House cigars made  
by Johnny Weigand are the best in town.  
mch 26-dstTender roast beef with brown gravy  
served at noon daily at Singleton's restaur-  
ant.—Oct 31stTonight the members of the Decatur  
Musical club will meet with Prof. C. A.  
Foster.Sherman Edwards will open a short order  
lunch room in the Empire room near  
the Millikin bank building.On Wednesday evening Mrs. D. W.  
Hellman will give a musical at her  
home on West Decatur street.Good music and good time, at the Baptist  
Sunday school concert Tuesday even-  
ing. Don't fail to go, 10¢ and 15¢.—15-dstLittle Diana cigar; business men's  
ideal smoke; 5 for 10 cents; 100 for \$1.50.  
L. Chodat's News House.—14-dstW. C. Pluck makes a specialty in fine  
wall paper. See him at No. 103 East  
North street before you buy.—15-dstThe Fullenwider truss cures rupture  
For sale by the Cerrodonie Co., 21 Syn-  
dicate block. Jan 16-dstTake the Vandalia fast train to Peoria,  
two hours and fifty minutes. Leaves at  
11:42 a. m.If you want a solid evening's enjoy-  
ment go to the Baptist concert Tuesday  
evening, Feb. 16; 10-15c.—19-dstRegular meeting of Chevalier Bayard  
lodge, Knights of Pythias, tonight at the  
newly furnished castle hall in library  
block.If you want to spend a pleasant even-  
ing and get your money's worth to attend  
the Turners' masque ball Wednesday,  
Feb. 17.—9-dstBuy your garden, flower and field seeds  
of Dan Culp, the old reliable seedsmen  
fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed  
in bulk. No. 223 North Main street.  
Durfee & Culp.—1-dstThere was a fire last night at 9 o'clock  
at the home of Mrs. Ryan, 518 North  
Merri street, caused by burning clothes  
resting on a chair in the front room. The  
chair was near a stove. Damage slight.  
The firemen responded to the alarm.Next month the Illinois Central Rail-  
road company will begin the erection of a  
new \$75,000 railway station at Spring-  
field. The surveys have been completed  
and the old structure is to be torn away.The charity store management will go  
out of business in a few days. Hundreds  
of poor people have been supplied with  
food and clothing. It was a noble work  
by earnest men and women.Make your arrangements to attend the  
grand masquerado ball at the Turner hall,  
Wednesday, Feb. 17, only persons receiv-  
ing invitations will be admitted. Tick-  
ets may be obtained from members of the  
Turnverein.—9-dstThese are the newly elected officers of  
the Decatur Turner society: President,  
Frank Reinstorff; vice president, H. E.  
Schluter; first turnwart, Karl Walter;  
second turnwart, Wm. K. Bamhreck; re-  
cording secretary, Henry Metz; corre-  
sponding secretary, Carl Young; cashier,  
F. H. Myer, treasurer, Ed Kuny, libra-  
rian, John Michalek; trustees, F. W.  
Kipp, Wenzel Steinbach and Wm. Bold.On Sunday double quartette of male  
voices was organized at the Turner Park  
and held their first rehearsal last night.  
They are under the direction of Anton  
Spaeth. The members are: First ten-  
ors, Albert Ehrhardt, Karl Young; second  
tenors, Karl Walters, Henry Metz; first  
bass, William Blank, Adolph Bier; sec-  
ond bass, Adolph Schick and Herman  
Spies.Tom Brockman, the elongated speci-  
men of ebony with the "Uncle Tom"  
company, paid Hellman & Son's grocery  
store a visit last evening and got on the  
scales. He weighed 185 pounds. He  
said he was 7 feet 11 inches tall and when  
somebody had said he had wooden joints at  
the knees to make him tall Tom offered to  
bet \$10 that he was all flesh and bones.No better soft coal in this market than  
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est of any coal within 100 miles of Decatur  
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will burn. Hard coal all sizes, always in  
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To the Public.

One year ago I was a great sufferer with  
kidney trouble, had been afflicted for  
twelve years, and could not get any one  
who could cure me; I was all run down  
and being a farmer could not attend to  
my business, but now thanks to Dr. R.  
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ommend him to all afflicted with any  
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man for it, or call up 550 and we will see that  
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## IN THE COUNTRY.

Observations Jotted Down by a Republican  
Reporter on His Rounds.The past year has not been a prosper-  
ous one for Macon county farmers and  
many tenants find themselves without a  
dollar and in debt after squaring with  
their landlords. They all hope for better  
times next year and are offering the usual  
large prices for land. At Prairie Hall  
grain rent seems to be the rule, about  
two-fifths delivered to the dealer, and in  
some cases half the crop is given.Tenants themselves are largely to blame  
for the high prices charged for land rent.  
The landlord is not adverse to getting all  
there is in it, and would be renters almost  
fall over themselves in bidding for destra-  
ble farms.During the last season a few land own-  
ers have proved themselves shysters of  
the highest degree and tenants who were  
unfortunate enough to fall into their  
clutches have found themselves stripped  
of all their earthly possessions. In other  
cases landlords have made needed conces-  
sions and this is the class which will pros-  
per.Mr. J. A. Pasley, who resides on a fine  
farm near Prairie Hall, comes to the front  
with a remarkable horse story. Last  
fall his favorite riding horse wandered  
away from home and found itself on the  
Vandalia track. A passenger train came  
along and the animal started in for a race  
with the locomotive. It ran across two  
long trestle bridges, skipped through sev-  
eral cattle guards, and wound up the per-  
sonal performance by leaping from a high embank-  
ment, clearing a barbed wire fence and  
landed in a neighboring field where it  
kicked up its heels as the iron horse gidd-  
ed by. The story is vouched for by eye  
witnesses.They have some bad boys in the little  
town of Macon and as usual the lads be-  
long to the F. F. F. of the section. The  
youths have been in the habit of attend-  
ing church and disturbing the services.  
This has roused the ire of the good people  
and headed by Brother Cram of the Ma-  
con Record, they threaten to make the at-  
mosphere decidedly sultry for the offend-  
ers.Walker's new elevator at Assumption  
has been completed and will soon be in  
running order. The new structure takes  
the place of the large elevator which was  
burned some time ago.George Melhorn of Blue Mound, paid  
20¢ per bushel for corn last week. Mr.  
Melhorn believes corn at present prices is  
a good investment and is cribbing many  
thousand bushels which he is holding in  
anticipation of the raise which is certain  
to come when prosperity arrives.The "only Jenkins" has returned to  
Macon after wandering over Chicago and  
other outlying villages. He has resumed  
business at the old stand and all the busi-  
ness in the neighborhood have been around  
for photographs.Grain dealers throughout the country  
have not been grieved over the bad weather  
of the last week which put a quietus  
on corn hauling. It has given them an  
opportunity to clear out overburdened grain  
bins. A car famine has prevented the  
movement of grain to some extent.Brother Allison, the postmaster at Ma-  
con is mourning the loss of a plate glass  
window which until recently adorned the  
office front of his office. A patron became  
so absorbed in reading some of the good  
things in a recent issue of the Republican  
that he missed the door and came in col-  
lision with the glass with disastrous re-  
sults.

Death at Harrisburg.

Monday evening, Feb. 16, at 6:45  
o'clock, Mrs. Lina Leonard died of ty-  
phoid fever at her home in Harrisburg,  
aged 27 years. She is survived by her  
husband and three sisters. They are Mrs.  
H. B. McGregor and Mrs. F. P. Towne  
of Harrisburg, and Miss Edith Eyman of  
Eureka. The parents of the deceased live  
in Eureka and were present at the time of  
her death. The funeral will occur from  
the family residence at 3 o'clock on Wed-  
nesday afternoon, Rev. J. P. McKnight  
of Peoria officiating. The remains will  
be interred in the Harrisburg cemetery.

Delegates to Danville.

Today the Fifth district convention of  
Good Templar lodges began at Danville,  
Delegates from Macon county:Decatur Lodge—Misses Emma Weigand  
and Lizzie Stoll.Rescue Lodge—Fred Wismer, Jessie Peters,  
Ora Crane, Miss Minnie Ritchie of  
Warrensburg and Mrs. Steadman.Faithful Lodge—Miss Myrtle Mills, dis-  
trict secretary; Miss Rose Ruckle, district  
chief templar, and Miss Minnie Shew.Frank Schroll and Ed Gonterman of  
Forsyth Lodge and Ed L. Bevins, district  
counsel of Linton will attend.Open meetings will be held at the Dan-  
ville churches tonight.

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ommend him to all afflicted with any  
chronic disease. He will do just as he  
promises.L. L. Burrows presented a bill for  
\$383.41 for laying water mains in 1894.  
As no one knew anything about the bill  
it was referred to the finance committee.

Changed to Ewing Avenue.

The council passed an ordinance chang-  
ing the name of the street known as South  
Green street to Ewing avenue, in memory  
of the late C. A. Ewing.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions were intro-  
duced:That the city clerk be instructed to  
draw a warrant for \$250 in favor of Mrs.  
O'Connor, said sum being the amount of  
the doctor bill and funeral expenses of her  
son, Thomas O'Connor, who was killed  
while in the employ of the city. There  
was considerable objection to the resolu-

## COUNCIL MEETING.

The Aldermen Decide to Raise the  
Salary of the Mayor of Decatur.

WOULD MAKE IT \$2000 A YEAR.

The Curfew Ordinance is Again Brought  
Up and is Passed—Mayor VetoesTwo Ordinances on Ac-  
count of Mistakes.At the regular meeting of the city coun-  
cil last evening the aldermen decided that  
the salary of the mayor of Decatur wasnot sufficiently large and a resolution was  
passed instructing the city attorney to draw up  
an ordinance making the salary of mayor \$3000 per year.

All of the aldermen were in favor of the idea except

Ahrens, Bold, Gogerty, Johnson and

Simpson. Colonel Mathias was not present

at the meeting so the vote for the passage

of the resolution stood 8 to 5.

Mr. Irwin and Mr. Thayer both spoke in favor

of the resolution. The latter said that the

mayor of Decatur should be so situated

that he could spend all his time in attend-  
ing to the business of the city and that at

the present salary no good man could be

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## WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—Partly cloudy to-night and Wednesday; warmer to-night; increasing southerly winds.

## Spain and Turkey.

There are only two nations on the globe that pass as civilized nations that are not to govern their people or their colonies. These nations are Spain and Turkey. The reason why they are not is that the ruling powers of both are alike governed by prejudice instead of reason to which is added inability to appreciate the rights of others to life or any sort of liberty of thought and action. For these reasons promised reforms by either of these nations are only made to be broken.

Spain after the ten years' war in Cuba secured peace by promising reforms to the Cubans which promises were broken as soon as those who had fought for liberty had laid down their arms. The result of that deception and the increase of burdens upon the Cubans is the cause of the present war which will result in freedom for the Cubans in spite of Cleveland, Oney and Harmon. This brings us to reflect as to what excuse Cleveland can justly assign for aiding a nation that has thus far shown that it cannot be relied upon to keep faith except where it does not offend. Such a nation is unworthy the effort Cleveland is making to construe the laws in her favor.

The trouble the sultan has in Crete has come about in the same way and is the result of similar causes. In 1894 an equal number of Christians and Turks in Crete were sentenced to death for some crime and an appeal was made for clemency. It was granted in all but one of the cases as to the Turks but all the Christians were executed. This plain and bold discrimination caused intense feeling among the Crete Christians. They met in conventions and protested and made certain demands in the nature of reforms, among which was the appointment of a Christian instead of a Turkish governor for the island. This made the Mohammedans angry and instead of attempting to pacify the Christians they instituted persecutions and added to their burdens until the Mohammedan governor was assassinated. In 1895 the Christians revolted and took up arms. Then came the European powers and forced Turkey to make terms with the Cretan revolutionists and in this arrangement the island was granted a Christian governor, but no sooner had the Cretans laid down their arms than the same persecutions were reinstated in spite of the new governor and these broken pledges are at the bottom of the present insurrection.

The king of Greece has observed all these things. He has seen the hollow pretenses of the Turk as to the Christians in Crete. Greece is neighbor to Crete as the United States is neighbor to Cuba but unlike Grover Cleveland the king of Greece has come to the rescue of the persecuted in Crete and proposed to succor and aid them, while the president of a free people elected by a free people quibbles about international law in the interest of a nation that has shown itself unworthy of any consideration. The American people will burlar for the king of Greece while they pray God to paralyze the political power of their own president until God and the constitution of the United States relieve him of that power. The action of Greece will in all probability result in transferring the allegiance of Crete from the Turk to the kingdom of Greece and the limitations of the constitution of the United States will give Cubans the freedom for which they have shown a willingness to die. Surely

God moves in a mysterious way,  
His wonders to perform;  
His plants His footprints on the sea  
And rides upon the storm.

In this case he uses a king of the earth to bring liberty to a struggling people while the president of the only people on earth who declared that "all men are created free and endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights" disports himself in an effort to deny these rights to an oppressed people.

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## WHAT SENATORS EAT.

Senator Allison Likes Pumpkin Pie and Pure Milk.

The Venerable Senator Morrill, of Vermont, Usually Lunches on Crackers and Milk—Senator Hill Has a Peacock for Big Oysters.

[Special Washington Letter.]

Now, while the rain and sleet are driving over the prairies, the snow settling on the mountains, and the north winds are blowing over the sunny south, the majority of our people will remain indoors the greater part of the time; for farm chores and village duties are not very pleasant in winter time.

While the blizzards are blowing it is pleasant for the farmers to remain inside the house, with plenty of fuel, plenty of food, and plenty of time to rest. The cattle being safely covered and screened, with ample food in reach, the farmer need not worry, but can philosophically smile at the elements and say:

Laugh, and the world laughs with you, Weep, and you weep alone. This grand old earth must bear its birth It has troubles enough of its own.

But the successful farmer is not the citizen who laughs last, or best, or loudest. In this chill winter weather nobody enjoys life more than the average statesman in the national capital. They are all alike in their pride, pomp, and purposes; and a majority of them are alike in their gustatory desires and the gratification thereof. "Put a knife to thy throat if thou be a man given to appetite," said Solomon. Some of the people who live in this year of grace do not think the advice good. Neither suicide nor eating with a knife is good form in these days. It must be evident even to the casual visitor at the senate restaurant that the wise man was not addressing his remarks to United States senators. No self-respecting senator ever allows his knife to get within a foot of his jugular. Members of the house may, perhaps, elevate their pork and beans to the mouth level without the assistance of a fork, but the dignified senator never permits the glittering steel greater altitude than the third button on his vest. The day for eating with your knife was cut short by that happy invention, the four-pronged fork.

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Mrs. W. J. Bryan is to be commended for the effusive manner in which she sets forth, in the appendix to Bryan's "First Battle," the good points of her husband's character and characteristics as they are presented to her vision.

Tom Watson got 27 votes for vice president which was 139 less than the "wart on a log" got which is another evidence of the utter depravity of the Popocratic party.

Solomon once said, "all is vanity and vexation of spirit," and yet he lived in a day when there were no gas meters.

Harristown.

Ed and Ollie Thornhill, of Webster City, Iowa, are here to visit their father, J. W. Thornhill.

Mrs. M. D. Eyman, who has been at Eureka, Ill., for some time, returned home Friday.

F. P. Towne and family visited friends in Decatur Sunday.

A. H. Knight visited friends at Oakley Saturday.

The M. E. church people held a social at the residence of Lewis Stookey on Friday evening.

Harve Waldorf moved to his father's farm last Thursday.

Henry Wynkoop, who has been living on the G. W. Waldorf farm, moved into the village this week.

O. P. Winston has moved from Pleasant Plains, Ill., to this place. He will farm on part of the S. P. Davis land.

Elmer Burns, accompanied by his little niece, Vera Dunkel, went to Pana, Ill., Saturday to visit relatives.

Mrs. H. M. Batchelder, of Springfield, visited her sister, Mrs. Lewis Stookey, Friday and Saturday.

E. Hall and family of Buffalo, Ill., are visiting E. W. Allen and family.

Died, at her home in this village Monday evening at 6:45 o'clock, of typhoid fever, Mrs. G. W. Leonard, aged 27 years. She is survived by a kind and loving husband, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Eyman, and three sisters, Mrs. F. P. Towne and Mrs. H. B. Mc Gregor of this place, and Miss Edith Eyman of Eureka, Ill. Mrs. Leonard was a faithful member of the Church of Christ of this place. The funeral will occur from the family residence Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. J. P. McKnight, of Peoria, officiating. The interment will be at the Harristown cemetery. The husband and relatives have the sympathy of the entire community in their sad bereavement.

Feb. 16, 1897.

Loser—A dear little child who made home happy by its smiles. And to think, it might have been saved had the parents only kept in the house One Minnie Cough Cure, the infallible remedy for croup. A. J. Stone &amp; Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The village of Bradley, Kankakee county, was visited by a burglar on the night of Feb. 10, who went through eight different houses gathering spoil, and not away in safety.

Chicora, Pa., "Herald": Richard Venel reports One Minute Cough Cure the greatest success of medical science. He told us that it cured his whole family of terrible coughs and colds, after all other so-called cures had failed entirely.

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may be spared from further disaster. Merchants have the same inducements to buy abroad that they had from the beginning of the law. It is true that many mills which were closed have started up, and that many others which had been shut down in case of McKinley's defeat have continued. So much substantial good has come from the mere prospect of protection in the near future. But these mills have gone on with work in expectation of future orders, when protection to American industries will once more be established, rather than to meet present demands. Confidence has been restored, and further disaster prevented by the assurance of the re-establishment of the American system; but real or widespread prosperity cannot come until protection to American industries is a reality of the present and not a promise of the future.

Greece has suddenly presented a condition which the allied powers and Turkey have to confront. The conditions are somewhat obscure and all parties seem reluctant to say whether it is loaded or not; but as a matter of precaution everybody seems inclined to keep away from the business end of it. The general disposition so far, is to request Greece not to fire off suddenly on conditions that all will help her to hold it and keep it from getting damp.

A number of theories have recently been advanced that Mars which has an atmosphere similar to that of the earth may in all probability be inhabited and in view of that possibility there is talk of devising some method by which we may communicate with the inhabitants of that planet, but so far we have not yet seen any suggestion that this end might be accomplished by turning Bryan loose upon those people. This is too practical a suggestion to be overlooked.

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### IN THE GRASP OF ODIN.

BY GEORGE H. COOMER.

**S**OME 30 years ago I belonged to the ship Rollo, lying at Rotterdam, and after we had remained there some weeks our captain got a freight for Bergen, in Norway. We were to take back a load of pine lumber, but on arriving at Bergen it was found the cargo was away up the coast, at a small seaport on the Vest-fjord, and for this place, after discharging, the Rollo made sail.

With light, contrary breezes, we tacked a great many times, and on one of these tacks, near the Lofoten islands, passed close by the spot where, at certain times of tide, and especially after northwest gales, rages the great Maelstrom, the terrors of which were so exaggerated by the early geographers.

The ebb current had probably set us out of our course, but we saw nothing remarkable, save a commotion of the waters two or three miles away, reminding us of the race in Long Island sound, or of Hell Gate, as it used to be in those days.

A good breeze would have carried the ship through in perfect safety, nor would it have swamped a fishing boat.

Standing into the Vest-fjord, we finally dropped anchor in a snug harbor, before the little Norwegian hamlet which was to furnish us with a cargo.

Here were great piles of lumber all about the shores. It was wholly pine, for we were now in latitude 68, where no other timber will flourish, and where even the pine itself almost reaches its northern limit.

What a cold and lonely region it was! The captain's wife and little boy were on board, and the sight of them kept a warm place all the time in my heart, as if so much of bright New England still survived for us, though we were away up in the Vest-fjord.

A Dutch brig, called the Zuyder Zee, was likewise there.

She had sailed a week before ourselves from Rotterdam, and by a singular coincidence her captain also had taken his wife and little boy. But the little blue-eyed fellow was no more about the decks. We had seen his pretty face at the rail, as the brig went out of Rotterdam, and again as she went out of Bergen, and Little Charlie Rivers, climbing upon the

suddenly caught sight of the Zuyder Zee, and in some way losing his balance, while straining his neck to look at her, out he went.

Mrs. Rivers had just missed him as he disappeared. She leaned out to catch him, as the Rollo's stern settled in the eddy beneath, and she, too, was gone. Those on deck knew nothing of the catastrophe, until, as the Zuyder Zee swung partly athwart our stern, they saw a woman clutching a little boy, carried forcibly against the Dutch brig, and almost dipped up by the heavy bulwarks. The stout Rotterdam sailors grasped them as they came, and the square-built Holland skipper signaled to us with his lifted arm that all was well.

His astonishment, of course, no signal could express; and as to our own captain, I will not dwell upon the emotions he must have experienced at that moment.

Soon afterward we saw that the Dutchman, having parted both her cables, had been compelled to make sail, sheeting home his topsails, into which he put close reefs.

With this sail, and the tide in his favor, he might possibly in the wide, sea-ford, still keep his vessel from going ashore, though her peril was extreme.

It was not long, however, ere the wind greatly abated, and we could see that he had set his foresail, foretopmast staysail andtrysail, with which amount of canvas his chance of safety was much improved.

Soon after the gale was over, a thick, rainy mist gathered upon the water, obscuring everything for 24 hours; but the wind, which had changed, blew a strong breeze directly out of the fjord. At length the air cleared and we got underway, seeing nothing of the Dutchman.

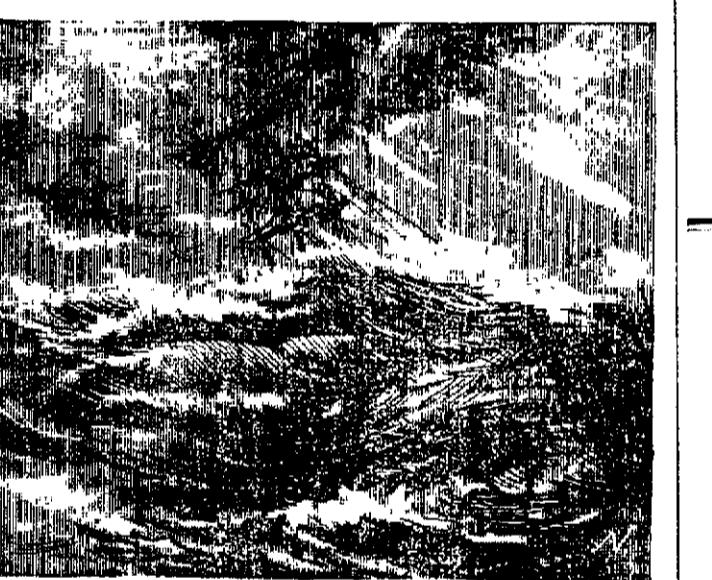
Had he felt his way out with his lead-line, or was he dashed upon the rocks? The suspense of our captain was dreadful.

As we passed the mouth of the fjord the wind hauled in such a manner as to head us off; the air became foggy, and, in making a turn, we approached so near the maelstrom as to hear its heavy roaring.

The order was given to put the ship in stays, but scarcely had we gone on the opposite tack when it fell entirely calm, and we were at the mercy of the tide.

"See all clear for letting go anchor!" was the next order.

And the Rollo soon swung to her chain, with sheets and halyards let go.



IN THE GRASP OF THE STORM

bulwarks of our ship, had hailed him in childish tones as the Zuyder Zee swept past us.

Mounting upon the head rail, while his father and mother were below, he had fallen under the brig's bows and was never seen again.

The bereaved mother, coming on board of us, as we lay at anchor, took little Charlie in her arms and cried bitterly. Mrs. Rivers cried, too, and from that moment she was continually apprehensive of some accident to her little one.

The two vessels finished loading at the same time, and the brig and ship got underway together, to go down the fjord.

This is very wide and long—a sea in itself—and in rough weather one of the most dangerous places in the world. But now all was pleasant. Thousands of sea-fowl circled around the vessel, and the distant shores of the Lofoten islands had a warm, misty beauty.

This state of things, however, did not long continue. The weather thickened, as if preparing for a storm; then the breeze left us, and we dropped anchor in deep water, in order not to be set out of our course by the tide.

For everyone saw that the vessel was the Zuyder Zee.

She had no anchors, no boats, and the current was carrying her steadily toward that place of terror, where the sea god Odin would grasp her by the keel and hurl her thunderingly below.

"Clear away the yawl!" shouted Capt. Rivers. "Come with me, four of you!" he added, springing over the taffrail. "Stand by the tackles! Lower away and east off!"

Three of my shipmates and myself went with him. How we sprang to the oars!

The Zuyder Zee was reached. Mrs. Rivers and little Charlie, together with the Dutch captain's wife, were put into the boat, and all hands besides, ten in number, taken with them.

With a complement of 18 persons our little yawl felt the tide in a way that placed her in terrible danger, but at last we succeeded in reaching the ship in safety.

As we did so the Dutch brig went into the whirl. What a sight it was! Around and around she swept, now standing nearly on end, now lying over till her yards dipped in the water, and all the while—head foremost, stern foremost or broadside to—going with frightful speed.

Then the hull disappeared; the lower masts were swallowed; the royal yards went out of sight. She was gone.

We arrived safely at Rotterdam. But can you describe the caresses showered upon little Charlie through all the passage? The Dutch mother, who had lost her boy, seemed to love the American child almost as her own; and when we sailed from the old Holland seaport she waited him tearful kisses as his small face looked back to the quaint drawbridge where she stood.

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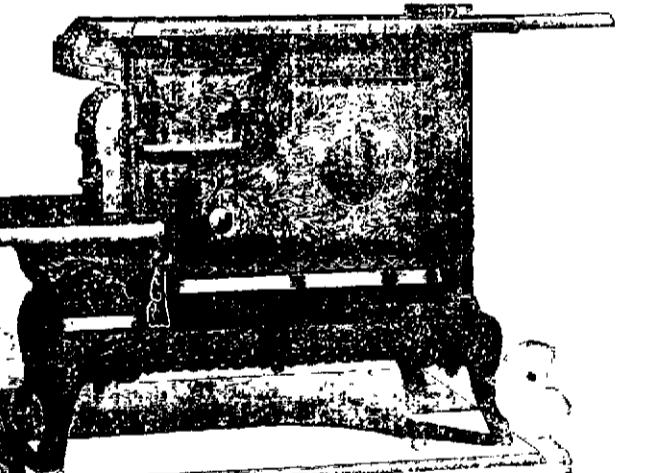
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That is what we are doing, but sell we must and sell we will. We want money bad enough to sell goods at a loss. We mean to make a clean sweep of it. Talk is cheap but come and get our prices, and then you can tell what is what. Never did the people of Decatur get a chance to buy good goods at such prices before, so

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OUR \$15.00 COOK STOVE.

1,500 of them in use in Decatur and Vicinity and every one of them satisfactory. This stove has all the latest improvements. Fire-lined Oven Door. Oven Door Shelf, Back and Side Shelf, Oven Door Opener, Nickel Towel Rod. Heavy Louvre Base—in fact a stove that is as good as many stoves sold for \$5.00 more money. Remember, every stove fully warranted.

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## Valentines Are Ripe.

And ready to pick. BIG CROP THIS YEAR. Big crop means Low Prices, and they are CHEAPER THAN EVER.

But the season will be short, so come quick.

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Illinois Farmers' Institute Meeting. The Wabash railroad will sell excursion tickets to Springfield, Ill., at the rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip from all stations in Illinois from which regular one way tickets are sold. Feb. 22 to 26 inclusive, good returning not later than Feb. 27.

The late general assembly appreciating the great benefits resulting from the holding of Farmers' institutes, passed a law creating the Illinois Farmers' Institute for the purpose of developing a greater interest through said organization in the better cultivation of crops, in the care and breeding of the most profitable type of domestic animals, in extending dairy, horticulture, promoting horticulture, directing attention to the importance of farm drainage, stimulating the spirit of improvement in the construction of public roads and discussing the best methods of general farm management.

Up to date farmers and live stock breeders will be greatly benefited by attending the state farmers' institute meeting to be held at Springfield Feb. 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26, 1897. —10-d&w

**DYEING AND FINE DRY CLEANING.**  
We will do dyeing and fine dry cleaning at reduced prices for the next thirty days. Now is the time to have your suits of clothes or overcoats dyed, cleaned and pressed by first-class, practical dyers and dry cleaners. You get the best work done in the city at Miller's Steam Dye House and Dry Cleaning Works, 145 North Main street.

All the different forms of skin troubles, from chapped hands to eczema and indolent ulcers can be readily cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

**About the Eye.**  
For people with sore eyes, weak watery eyes, red and inflamed eyes, caused by age, cataract or otherwise, the Brazilian Balm is a priceless boon. Put 15 or 20 drops of Balm into a spoonful of warm water and bathe the eyes well night and morning, getting some of the solution into the eyes. The relief and benefit is worth a hundred times the cost.

For sale by Armstrong Bros., Druggists.

John Kreager, of Urbana, has sued Todd & Murphy, sewer contractors, for \$1000 damages. The action for damages grew out of an accident that occurred in Urbana, September 22. Kreager was a laborer, at work in one of the trenches when a section caved in severely maiming him.

Something for burns, scalds, chapped hands and lips. Healing for cuts and sores. Instant relief for piles, stops pain at once. These are the virtues of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Dr. L. Kittinger, a leading physician of Wilmington, Del., asked the proprietor of Brazilian Balm to send him a dollar bottle. A few weeks afterwards the doctor said: "I had a couple of cases of old Cough on hand that completely baffled me. I had got to the end of my string. But the Balm made a prompt cure in both cases. It is a remarkable remedy."

For sale by Armstrong Bros., Druggists.

Miss Mabel Gibbs died at Wing from the measles.

Minutes seem like hours when a life is at stake. Croup gives no time to send for a doctor; delay may mean death. One Minute Cough Cure gives instant relief and insures recovery. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Little Louise, daughter of Mr and Mrs T. A. Scroggin, of Mt. Pleasant, severely burned her feet by stepping on the heat register when there was a glowing fire in the furnace.

A torpid liver means a bad complexion, bad breath, indigestion and frequent headaches. To avoid such companions take DeWitt's Little Early Riser, the famous little pills. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

**FASHIONABLE CLOTHES.**

Small boys' reefer of kersey or chinchilla cloth, in blue, brown, gray, red or tan, with pearl or gold buttons.

Reeves of white muslin and cloth of gold embroidered in white and gold-colored pearl and crystal beads.

Evening waists consisting of a blouse front and puff sleeves of chiffon and a corslet and bolero of satin or velvet.

Very high ribbon collars over-topped by a muslin frill that does not succeed in hiding quite all of the stock.

Corset belts and stock collars having one side fastened under lace rosettes centered with buttons apparently jeweled.

Fur-trimmed suits having a bolero and collar of fur with rest of white satin gold-braided, covered or jabotted with lace.

Turnover neck frills and squares of a lattice-work of baby ribbon dotted with spangles and edged with lace for the same purpose.—Dry Goods Economist.

Two Lives saved.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City, Ill., was told by her doctors she had on consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured her



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Most Serviceable and  
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With a pair of our  
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We have such a large and varied stock of up-to-date Shoes to select from that we can give you size without any trouble in any style which you may select.

We will continue the sale on Broken Lots which we have been advertising until every pair is sold. Remember these goods are all new, fresh goods, and include such goods as HANAN & SONS.

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148 East Main St. Sign of the Brass Foot Tracks.

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Are not pleasant, but you'll get them every time you use a poor toothbrush.  
Get a BRUSH that is built right—costs a little more, but gives satisfaction.  
Try our 25c Brush.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

We are requested to announce J. C. HANAN as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce P. H. PROVOST as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce JAMES W. SMITH as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce O. W. SMITH as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce CHARLES M. CALDWELL as a candidate for Commissioner of Roads, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce WILLIAM RUMM as a candidate for Commissioner of Highways, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce J. T. LLOYD as a candidate for Commissioner subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce ARTHUR F. EVANS as a candidate for Town Clerk, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce LANDY H. H. MARTIN as a candidate for Collector, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

**LOCAL NEWS.**

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.  
Baby cough syrup at Irwin's.

Smoke the Little J., 6-cent cigar, made by Jacob Kook.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22nd

Irwin's vegetable pills cure biliousness.

Remember the grand masque ball at the Turner hall, Feb. 17.—9-dm

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 cent cigar, made by John Weigand. Feb. 25th

Irwin's Iron tonic bitters cures indigestion and nervous exhaustion.

Don't fail to attend the Baptist Sunday school concert, Feb. 16. It will be a treat; 10c and 15c.—18-dm

Russian corn cure gives the best satisfaction; for sale by L. N. Irwin & Co.

Take the Vandalia-Pennsylvania for Washington, D. C.; reduced rates for the inauguration.

Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made, Sumatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.

Do you want any Cracker Meal? Call up Telephone 341.

11-dm Pearl Oyster & Fish Co.

Go to W. C. Pluck, No. 109 East North street, for your spring wall paper. All new goods.—10-dm

The Turner hall will be open on Monday and Tuesday evening until 10 o'clock for the accommodation of those who wish to rent costumes.—15-dm

The young men who are to take part in the mineral show to be given on the evening of Feb. 22, are rehearsing every evening at the home of Mrs. K. Harwood.

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In the county court today James S. Wright who had served out his sentence in the county jail for larceny, and could not pay the fine and court costs, scheduled out as a poor person, and was ordered under the law to be discharged.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury.

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them.

Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonial free.

Sold by Druggists, price 75c per bottle.

Hall's Family Pills are the best,

To Stop a Cold in 30 Minutes.

Take Contra-Cold Tablets, guaranteed or money refunded by all druggists, 20c.



## S. S. JACK IN CHARGE

The Assignee Will Settle the Michael Eichinger Affairs.

## SENSIBLE ADJUSTMENT IN COURT.

Mrs. Eichinger in the Compromise Secures Her Dower Interest and Conservator Attorneys Will Receive \$1500 in Fees - Litigation Stopped.

Readers of the Republican are more or less familiar with the intricacies of the Michael Eichinger assignment case, in which property valued at about \$100,000 is involved. The people know that Mr. Eichinger being financially embarrassed made an assignment of all his property for the benefit of his creditors and that Mrs. Eichinger joined him in signing the deed of assignment, thus surrendering her dower interest, the full force of which it seems from subsequent proceedings she did not realize at the time. Then she thought that there would be considerable property left after the payment of all bills. She discovered that she was mistaken, that it appeared that there would be little if anything left for her and her daughters. S. S. Jack was appointed assignee and he qualified by filing an acceptable bond. In the meantime proceedings were commenced in the county court for the appointment of a conservator for Mr. Eichinger, it being alleged in the petition that he was a spendthrift and a distracted person. The hearing was had and the finding was in favor of the petitioner, J. W. Race was appointed conservator and he qualified. Then came the clash of authority between the assignee and the conservator, resulting finally in injunction proceedings which came up for a hearing in the circuit court at the September term. A jury heard the evidence and submitted a verdict that appeared to place the litigation in further complication. On the general issue the verdict was in favor of Conservator Race and on the special interrogations Assignee Jack found consolation and hope. It was necessary for the court to pass upon the verdict and unravel it if he could. There was a delay until the January term began and since then the matter has been hung, occasioned mainly by the attorneys on both sides in the interest of Mrs. Eichinger and the creditors working with a view of effecting a compromise to stop endless litigation and expense.

### The Settlement.

It was the desire of Judge Vail that the whole affair be settled to the best interest of everybody concerned. He advised an adjustment of the case and waited patiently for the parties to reach an agreement. In court this forenoon the end of all litigation was reached and a decree was granted, placing Assignee Jack in full charge of the Eichinger property, granting Mrs. Eichinger her dower interest, and directing the assignee to pay \$1500 in attorneys' fee to the firms of Crea, Ewing & Walker, David Hutchinson and Lofusges & Lee. The assignee will settle with Mills Bros. and W. C. Johns, who appeared for the assignee at the trials.

Judge Vail took occasion to compliment the attorneys on the sensible settlement of the contentions and said in short that the arrangement reached met with his hearty approval. Attorney Hutchinson added that he felt that the right thing had been done inasmuch as there was a prospect that in the event of probable entanglements and litigation the major portion of the estate would be swallowed up in court costs and attorneys' fees.

Mills Bros. will write up the decree. Attorney E. S. McDonald and Alex McIntosh were called upon to examine the files in the case and fix the amount of the attorneys' fees. Both agreed that in view of the amount of the property at stake and the work of the lawyers at the trials, together with the importance of the final adjustment, the amount, \$1500, was about right.

Assignee Jack now has full charge of all the Eichinger property. He will proceed in statutory form to close up the estate and settle all just claims, at the same time preserving the dower interest of Mrs. Eichinger.

### A FATAL LEAP.

Lineman Fraze Jumps Forty-five Feet to Save Himself and is Fatally Injured. W. S. Fraze, who worked in Decatur for some time while the Postal Telegraph company was putting in its lines and who formed many acquaintances while here, who kindly remember him, met his death by a fall of forty-five feet last Friday in Kentucky. The following account of the sad accident was sent to a friend in this city:

W. S. Fraze, one of the linemen engaged in the construction of the new telegraph line from Horse Branch to Owenton, Ky., for the Postal Telegraph company, met with a very distressing accident which resulted fatally. At Reynolds station at 10 o'clock Friday morning Mr. Fraze was walking behind a hand car run by two other linemen and, when about half way across the high trestle near Reynolds, he told the men on the car to hold on, that he wanted to get on and ride. About the time they had checked the car he grasped a coil of wire by which

to pull himself up. The wire was not heavy enough to hold him and as it began to slip towards him he caught hold of a barrel containing insulators to steady himself. The barrel was not of sufficient weight to hold him up and seeing that he was going to fall, he made a leap for the ground, a distance of forty-five feet. His fellow workmen hurried to his assistance and carrying him to the car took him on to Deanfield, a distance of three miles. He was conscious from the time he was hurt until he died at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon, and at no time seemed to think he was seriously injured. The attending physician at Deanfield, says his right ankle was fractured and that he was paralyzed about the hips. An inquest was held at Deanfield by Coroner Hayden of Owenton, and the jury rendered a verdict in accordance with the facts as stated above. The remains arrived in Owenton county last night over the Illinois Central and will be held until further orders have been received from his relatives at Brinton, Mich., his home. Mr. Fraze was about 30 years old and a widower, he leaves no family. He had been in the employ of the company for the past three or four years and was considered a very competent man.

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### The Crime.

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## TWO MURDER TRIALS

Eddie Cook at Havana Hopes to Escape the Gallows.

## MISS MINNIE BENNETT THE VICTIM.

Trial Recalls the Sad Death of a Marco

Young Girl — Doctor in the Case Committed Suicide — Case at Pekin.

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## TURKS AND GREEKS.

The Sultan Believes that a Friendly Power is in the Deal.

## PROSPECTS ARE FOR A BIG SCRAP.

Action of Turkish Council at Constantinople—A Few Days May Bring More Starting Developments in Europe.

Constantinople, Feb. 17.—(Copyrighted by Associated Press.)—The council of ministers has decided to leave the pacification of Crete to the powers and adopt military measures on the Greek frontier. The latter, however, is purely for defensive purposes to enable Turkey to be prepared for all eventualities. The sultan informed the ambassadors that this action was necessary in view of the aggressive attitude of Greece. The sultan expressed his satisfaction at the occupation of Crete by the powers. In spite of the peaceful outlook it is known that it required much tact on the part of ambassadors to prevail on the ports to accept the situation after the landing of Greek troops in Crete. Anti-Turkish manifestations are reported at different points in Thessaly, shots having been fired and Turkish frontier guards wounded. The sultan seems to consider that Greece would not have acted so defiantly without having at least one powerful friend behind her. This feature has had a calming effect upon the Turks who see in the abandonment of Crete to Greece possible escape from more important changes in the map of the Turkish empire.

A Warning.

Canea, Feb. 17.—(Copyrighted by Associated Press)—A joint note by the commanders of the foreign warships here was sent to the Greek consul to the effect that any attack on Canea, Retimo, Heraklion or Sitia will be repelled by the warships.

This caused some alarm in Greek circles, but it is not believed that it signifies anything more serious than warning Christians and Greeks to cease fighting while the powers seek to reach a definite understanding regarding the future of Crete. It is still believed that the powers will sanction the Greek annexation of Crete.

May Kill the Sultan.

Constantinople, Feb. 17.—A placard was posted in the mosques demanding the sultan's death.

## GROVER CONFRONTS CONDITION

His Obstinacy as to the Cuban Question Has Put Him in a Humiliating Position

Washington, Feb. 17.—Everybody is laughing at the funny position in which the highest law officers of the government have been placed in their efforts to punish the owners and officers of the filibustering steamer. Three Friends. A broad grin went around the supreme court yesterday afternoon when Attorney General Harlan and his assistant, Mr. Whitney, began their argument for a writ of certiorari to transfer the case, which was decided against the government, to the court of appeals.

The government is put in the singular position of refusing to recognize the Cuban insurgents as belligerents, to say nothing of acknowledging the independence of the Cuban republic, but at the same time to secure a conviction under the neutrality laws the attorney general is forced to contend that the United States has already recognized the fact that a state of war exists in Cuba.

In view of the fact that congress has passed a resolution recognizing the Cuban rebels as belligerents and this resolution was openly ignored and scoffed at by the president, it was funny for the attorney general, who is a member of the cabinet, to come into court, as he did yesterday, and plead that the president's message to congress was to all intents and purposes a public recognition of the fact that was existed in the island of Cuba. Under the statute passed away back in 1818, following up the war with Great Britain, is clearly intended to forbid giving a and comfort by means of an armed force to one or two belligerents.

The president has persistently declined to acknowledge the fact that anything more than a condition of riot exists in the island of Cuba. The judge in the lower court held that, as belligerency was not recognized, the owner and master of the Three Friends could not be prosecuted for violation of the neutrality laws, that vessel was only attempting to evade a local customs regulation of the island of Cuba which forbade the importation of arms.

No evidence was adduced in the court to show that the vessel itself

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Complimentary Ball.

The complimentary ball given at Guards' Armory last night for Prof. R. B. Leonard who is in Virginia under medical treatment, was quite largely attended and netted the professor a neat sum. The members of Goodman's orchestra volunteered music and the dancers had special inspiration for tripping the light fantastic.

### Rehearsal To-Night.